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 PATENCY USING A CITRATE SALT  
 CATHETER LOCK SOLUTION



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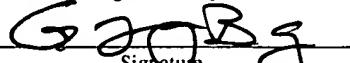
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Pursuant to the duty of disclosure embodied in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the Examiner the items of information listed on the attached sheet. These items of information have not been previously submitted in this application, and have not been heretofore cited by the U.S. Examiner. Copies of the cited items are enclosed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98.

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Also included is a copy of a Supplementary Partial European Search Report (3 pages), which was received from the European Patent Office in a Communication dated May 12, 2003.

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